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Money to loan on improved farm property.
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RUSSELL & COOPER,
BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.
Mortgagors, Loans and Savings Company.
Bank Av., between 7th & 8th Sts., Brandon.
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W. WHITE,
[late of SCOTT & WHITE, REGINA.]
Barrister, Solicitor, Conveyancer, Notary Public, etc.,
MOOSOMIN and WHITEWOOD, ASSA.

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money to suit borrowers. Terms easy.

MEDICAL.

D. R. SPENCER,
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OFFICE AND RESIDENCE,
WITH ST. NEXT THE SCHOOL HOUSE,
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PHYSICIAN, SURGEON & ACCOUCHEUR,
Montreal University, Toronto, M.C.P.
and S. Ontario and Manitoba.
Residence, Combs & Stew's Block,
Car. St. and Rosser Brandon.

DENTAL.

F. DOERING,
DENTIST,
Gins for Painless Extraction of Teeth.
At Rosser's Grocer Store, Corner Rosser
and 4th Street, Entrance 4th Street.
Gold filling a specialty.

DICKSON and BASTEDO,
DENTISTS,
For FLEMING'S DRUG STORE,
ENTRANCE ON ROSSER AVENUE.
ANESTHETICS ADMINISTERED FOR
PAINLESS EXTRACTION OF TEETH

JAMES K. JAMES BASTEDO, L.D.S.

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R. P. MULLIGAN,
WHOLESALE WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT,
Sixth Street, Brandon, Man.

EDWARD L. NO. 1501,
TUESDAYS, on or before Full
Book at Six O'clock in Winter and
Seven in Summer, at the

NOTICE

I HEREBY GIVE YOU THAT A Bill to raise the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) by the Province of Manitoba for the purpose of the construction of a bridge across the Assiniboin River at the Town of Bosenay, will be introduced into the Legislature of the Province of Manitoba on the first day of July, 1887, and will be taken on the Twenty-fifth day of July, 1887, at the House of Riley Johnston, Judge of the Law Courts of the Province of Manitoba, and will be presented to the Legislature of the Province of Manitoba on the second day of July, 1887.

EDWARD HAMMOND,
Chairman of the Municipal Committee of Whitewater.

Teacher Wanted
Educational School, Female, holding a Second
Class Certificate. Duties to commence
as soon as possible. Apply to

JOSEPH MURRAY,
South City P.O., Man.

WANTED.

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TO BUY, cheap, a Second-Hand Phaeton, suitable
for an Indian Pony. Apply to Mr. Cliffe, Main
Office, Brandon, or to Mr. John Horner, Oak Lake.

WANTED.

A GOOD GIRL, to do General House Work in a
large house. Wages Ten Dollars (\$10) per
month.—Apply to

Mrs. T. E. GREENWOOD,
Douglas P.O.

Ho! for Vancouver!

RELIABLE Persons can make big money
by handling our Real Estate.

Send references and 50 cents for full information to

TERMINAL CITY LAND OFFICE,
Vancouver, B.C.

TOWN TOPICS

Jubilee flags all sizes at the MAIL bookstore, at cost.

Chinese lanterns for sale at the MAIL bookstore, at cost.

Our Baptist friends held their annual S.S. picnic in McFadden's grove on Tuesday. A most enjoyable day was spent by all.

Ex-mayor Westbrook and Mr. W. W. McMillan, of Winnipeg, visited the rifle range here on Saturday, and took part in the shooting.

J. A. Mitchell has returned to the city, but unfortunately as usual—alone. We have done our best with J. A., but he is love proof and will "marry no how," and that ends it.

A game of cricket was played on Saturday between the Brandon club and an eleven made up by Mr. Henage, of Kenmey, and Alexander. The latter club was beaten by 40 runs, Jukes' bowling proving disastrous.

On Tuesday a carload of Chinamen, bound, passed through on the C.P.R., liberal commission or salary; best advantages; splendid outfit furnished FREE; any pushing man can succeed.—Apply for terms to

STONE & WELLINGTON,
Toronto, Ont.

Brandon Employment Bureau

If you want help,
If you want employment,
If you want to buy or sell a farm,
Apply to

A. C. WELLS & CO.

TO LET.

A FEW FURNISHED ROOMS in a Private House,
with or without Board, in the healthiest part of
the City. Ten minutes walk from Post Office.
Apply to A. B. Hall Office.

For Sale Cheap.

1 Mowing Machine, 1 Stubble Plow, 1 Side-
Spring Buggy.

C. E. MILLER & CO.

MRS. E. CHUBBS

ICE CREAM

For a real Good Dish of Ice Cream or a
Lemonade or any Temperance Drinks,

Choicest CONFECTIONERY.

All the Choicest kinds of Fruits.

Cigars, the Havana Pearl Specials, the best
Cigars in Canada, and other leading brands.

TOBACCO, THE VERY BEST.

LUNCHES AND MEALS AT ALL HOURS,

ACCIDENTAL RESTAURANT,
10th Street, South of Rosser, Brandon.

G. & D. CASSELS,
FOR

ICE CREAM, SODA WATER

AND

LEMONADE,

Cold as Ice, and just as nice.

FANCY BAKERY
AND
CONFECTIONERY

FRUIT of all kinds in Season. We have
already made arrangements with Eastern and
Western Markets for these Lines direct.

We will make a Specialty in

Vegetables & House Plants

From first-class style, of the Best Material
and Lowest Prices. Satisfaction guaranteed.

JAMES LAND, esq. — Brandon.

Communications sent to the MAIL Office wi-
thout prompt attention.

Feb. 10, 1887.

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and seconds, but three were rejected on account of being too young. Surely if a child's brains and intelligence are ahead of its years, it ought to be encouraged other than be slapped in the mouth—hence only 28 applied—one of whom was taken quite sick on the third day and had to withdraw.

Attendance for past five months:

Great Western Bank

Nearly a Fatality.

The other day, as Mr. Pat Murphy, editor of the Prevaricator, was passing up the track towards the C.P.R. cattle yards, wearing that white cloth around his head which assists him in the production of those ponderous articles, a number of those street urchins that are ever on the look out for mischief saw the spectacle and mistaking it for McBeth's ghost, the wits of Endor or some other "holly terror" let fly a volley of stones, one of the hard missiles hitting the gentleman in the vicinity of the left ear. After recovering his equilibrium, the knight of the quill made for the shoal of gamins and caught one of the number named Webster, about eight years of age, and then the bloody encounter commenced, in dead earnest.

Pat was bent on nothing short of a wholesale lesson, and he caught hold of an iron rail 21 feet in length to assist him in his work of christianising. Finding this heavier than Aaron's rod, Pat thought it would not be a healthy weapon and he caught on to the next best thing—a tamarack tie, and that plaything he amused himself with the seat of Webster's pants for about ten minutes, according to the Marquis of Queensberry rules, the rest of the swarms of youth and mischief yelling and cawing like a flock of crows.

Every minute or so Pat would set his victim and exclaim "Purgatory to your soul, but I'll hate you within an inch ave yer life, ef yes i've to the loke agin." The youth would snap like a turtle and another round would begin.

Pat unloading himself of his vengeance, declaring he would give the urchin his coup de grace if he ever sat out on a similar adventure again. The play was kept up until the last of Queensberry's expedients became exhausted, and the spectators declared the contest a draw, both belligerents at a wholesale loss for pugilistic vocabulary and breath.

JUBILEE DAY.

About \$500 to be Given in Prizes.

At a meeting of the citizens on Monday evening, it was decided to hold a grand jubilee celebration in Brandon on Friday, the 20th inst., consisting of games and athletic sports.

The following names were put on the general committee to wait on the hotelkeepers and tradesmen of the city with a subscription list for funds for the prizes and general expenses:

Judge Walker, A. Jukes, W. A. Macdonald, Dr. Macdonald, A. McLean, Geo. Cassels, Capt. Wasie, F. W. Peters, Chief Wiswell, C. Pillig, T. E. Kelly, with the following to superintend the games:

Baseball—A. Jukes, Geo. Fraser and W. Ingram; Football—A. Spring, W. Hunter and Mr. Loughlin; Lacrosse—W. Taylor, R. Matheson and A. McLean.

Messrs. Boisseau, Macdonald and Jukes were to meet the city council and ask for a jubilee grant.

Mr. F. W. Peters stated that the C.P.R. would give excursion rates for outsiders to attend.

About \$500 is to be given in prizes, a good part of which has already been subscribed.

SCHOOL PROMOTIONS.

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Attendance for past five months:

Total. Average

Miss Johnstone's 134 72

" Nicol's 102 41

" Lang's 62 43

Mr. Perry's 72 41

" Lang's 51 28

" Elliott's 67 38

Total 488 264

Irregularity of attendance is a manifest evil, and parents ought to do their best to correct it.

MARRIAGE.

BRADSTON—Black—At Hamiaux, on the 6th instant, Mr. C. P. Brereton, of Alexander, to Miss Annie Fraser Black, by the Rev. J. Duncan.

I will be at Kelly's Barn, Brandon, regularly during the Summer, and will always have a nice lot of Mares on hand.

To those desirous of getting into Horse Raising on a cheap scale, I can offer inducements that will astonish you.

In a word, I can sell you a whole Band of Mares for the price of an ordinary Canadian team.

THOS. HARKNESS,
Permanent Address—Campbell & Harkness,
Calgary, N.W.T., or Brandon, Man.

JOSEPH MURRAY,
South City P.O., Man.

MISS CLARA GIVEN, daughter of Mr. Given of this city, who has been attending the college here for some months, left for Winnipeg yesterday to take a course, to include shorthand, in the Commercial College at the hub. Miss Given is a clever young lady, and will, doubtless, do herself credit in her new venture.

DETROIT, Mich., July 9.—A terrible scourge is reported on Cockburn Island, in Lake Huron. The disease has the form of diphtheria and several people are dying daily, but the real nature of the epidemic is not known, as there is no doctor on the island. Nine persons died from Friday to Tuesday and the people are fleeing for safety.

THE BRANDON WEEKLY MAIL.

FARM AND GARDEN.

KEEPING A RESTIVE COW'S TAIL QUIET WHILE MILKING.

How and When to Plant Seeds to Insure Good Crops—A Raspberry of Promise. Some Points About the Way a Garden Should be Situated.

The vegetable garden ought never to be in an orchard, or have trees or shrubs within it, for best results. The vegetable garden on a farm should be placed, when practicable, so as to be easily reached from the barn, to facilitate house cultivation. A gentle inclination to the south and east is the warmest, will give the earliest vegetables, and be best for corn, melons, tomatoes, etc., but it suffers more from a spring or early fall frost, because of receiving the direct rays of the morning sun. An inclination to the north and west is later, suffers less in a drought, and is the best for peas, cabbage, lettuce, etc. So it is an advantage in a large garden to have both these exposures, but for small gardens a gentle inclination to the south and east or a level surface is the best.

The arrangement of a small garden, when most or all of the work is done by hand, is a matter of taste, but on the farm it is quite important to have the garden so arranged that most of the work can be done by horse power.

Golden Queen Raspberry.

Numbered with new varieties of fruit prominent the present season among fruit growers everywhere that raspberries can surpass is the Golden Queen. This is supposed to be a seed of the Cuthbert. The claims made for it are that, while hardy and therefore adapted to the northern states, it also finds favor at the south, where heretofore only the Black Caps have succeeded well, the heat being too great for the red varieties. Flattering reports, it is claimed, have been received from Maine and Minnesota to Florida, Louisiana and Texas.



GOLDEN QUEEN RASPBERRY.

Vick describes this berry as of large size and good quality and golden yellow in color. The canes are said to be strong and productive. Mr. Theo. F. Baker, formerly president of the New Jersey Horticultural society, expresses himself as pleased with the Golden Queen, which he has found will bear transportation with the best of the raspberries. J. T. Lovett claims that it bears draughtily, and produces fruit in abundance. It seems to be sufficiently promising to justify a trial, at least on a small scale.

How and When to Plant Seeds.

The first important step taken toward the cultivation of a crop is the obtaining of good seed. Next come considerations of soil and depth of planting. The temperature and moisture of the ground have more to do with the successes and failures yearly recorded than is generally acted upon. Wheat and barley, for instance, while they struggle through the ground at the extreme temperatures of 41 degrees and 100 degrees, germinate most rapidly, other conditions being equal, at about 81 degrees. Corn does best at 90 degrees, though it will germinate at from 50 to 115 degrees. The squash bean and pea all germinate quickly at about the same temperature as that given for corn. Clover seed often fails because sown at a time of insufficient moisture, while sown, let for instance, under similar conditions of dryness will secure a good catch.

Every one who plants at all understands that the size of the seed has much to do with the depth of covering required, and farmers with no accord place corn deeper than the small grains, and the small grains deeper than the grasses, but all farmers do not vary these respective depths to suit the different soils into which the seed are placed, and yet it requires only a moment's consideration to see that a heavy soil which lies close to the seed admits of lighter covering than a sluffing, sandy one. Many interesting experiments have been made from time to time in testing the germinating powers of seed under different depths of covering. In a table prepared by Professor Petri, showing the germination of wheat at certain depths in the ground, it appears that about three-fourths of the seed planted will come up at a depth of three inches, and nearly all at from one to two inches.

These and similar facts point to the importance of every planter's acquainting himself with the requirements of the seeds to be planted, and regulating time and depth of sowing to suit the same. They also explain many failures which have been had to the quality of the seed; but this should not lessen the zeal of farmers in their endeavors for a good, pure article.

Drill Planting—Shallow Cultivation.

It is nineteen years since Mr. E. S. Carman first began the advocacy of planting corn in drills instead of hills; of sowing fertilizers on the surface and merely harrowing them in; of surface cultivation—that is, shallow cultivation, and of keeping the land as level as possible—that is, not hillling up. There were then, as indeed there were many years previously, advocates of one or the other of these methods, but none who favored all simultaneously.

At the present time there are many progressive farmers who have tried this method, and few, if any, of them would return to the old way, viz: plowing under the manure, planting in hill, hillling up and deep cultivation, until the corn is harvested.

Mr. Carman also says: All farmers who have planted corn very early know that after the plants sprout and have grown two or three inches there usually comes a cold spell, and the plants stop growing and

often assume a yellow, sickly appearance. Is this due, as is generally supposed, to the cold weather altogether, or to the fact that nitrification ceases? If inquiring farmers would sow a little nitrate of soda upon a small portion of the field when planting, thus supplying nitrogen in an immediately available form, it might appear that the "standstill" was due rather to a deficiency of nitrogenous food than to the cool weather.

Age of Seeds.

Corn will keep well on the cob, if it was properly dried, for several years longer than when shelled. In buying seed corn, it is one of the easiest of gaits for both horse and rider.

The single foot differs somewhat from the fox trot, and has been described as exactly intermediate between the true trot and the true walk. Each foot appears to move independently of the other, with a sort of pitapat, at a time, and it is a much faster gait than the fox trot.

The rack is very nearly allied to the true pacing gait, the difference being that in the latter the hind foot keeps exact time with the fore foot of the same side, making it what has been called a lateral or one side at a time motion, while in the former the hind foot touches the ground slightly in advance of the fore foot on the same side. The rack is not as fast a gait as the true pace, but is a very desirable gait in a saddle horse. In addition, the perfect saddle horse should be able to trot, pace and gallop, and should be quick, nervous and elastic in all his motions, without a particle of dullness or sluggishness in his nature. His mouth should be sensitive, and he should respond instantly to the slightest motion of the rein in the hands of the rider.

A poor and clumsy rider, however, will soon spoil the best trained saddle horse in the world, and such a person should never be permitted to mount a horse that is exceptionally valuable for that purpose. A "plug" horse and a "plug" rider may well go together; but keep a really good, well-trained saddle horse for one who knows how to enjoy this most health giving, exhilarating and delightful of out door exercise.

Science of Rail Splitting.

Almost any farm hand can split rails, but there is considerable science to be observed in the work. One man will rive them with ease, while another equally as stout will tug away and soon exhaust his strength, with comparative small results. The reason of this great disparity is in knowing how to apply the tools. But considerable advantage may be derived by an expert hand in having suitable tools. The best maul to be used is made of a knot, and should be of medium weight, not too heavy to swing with ease. One iron wedge, quite slim, should be kept and used for starting the split; it is not apt to rebound, and if it should, it may be easily prevented by making a few checks with an axe near together, and starting the wedge between them, or by rubbing the wedge in dirt.—*Planters' Journal*.

Lifting and Setting Posts.

A convenient and desirable implement for taking up fence posts, says The American Agriculturist, consists of a stout pole of the size and shape of a wagon tongue.



A CONVENIENT POST LIFTER.

The thickest part of this pole, for about fifteen inches from the end, is shaped into a wedge. This is sheathed with a frame made of iron half an inch thick and two and a half inches wide, and securely fastened with screws or bolts. The end should be pointed and slightly bent upward. The manner of using this convenient implement is shown above in the illustration.

Directions are also given for setting a gate post so that the gate will never sag and catch on the ground. Sometimes, owing to the soft nature of the soil, it is almost impossible to plant the post firmly by ordinary means.

The work may, however, be satisfactorily accomplished by packing medium sized stones around the post, in the hole, as shown in the engraving. Then if it is thought that this will not insure a sufficient firmness, add good mortar.

A WELL SET GATE POST. Place in a layer of stones, then mortar enough to imbed the next layer of stones, and so on until the hole is full and the post planted. Do not cover up the stones with earth or disturb the post for a few days until the mortar has "set." Remember that the post must be set plumb while the work is going on, as it can never be straightened after the mortar has "set." Only durable posts should be used, and this method of setting should only be followed with gate posts which are supposed to be permanent, and not with posts apt to be changed.

How to Tell if Timber is Sound.

The soundness of a log of timber may be ascertained by placing the ear close to one end of it, while another person delivers a succession of smart blows with a hammer or mallet upon the opposite end, when the continuance of the vibrations will indicate an experienced ear even the degree of soundness. If only a dull thud meets the ear, the listener may be certain that unsoundness exists.

Our country is bigger than China. We have 3,692,000 square miles, and China has only 1,600,000.

NEW FACTS ABOUT THE CONGO.

The River Found to Have a Wider Expansion Than at Stanley Pool.

At its mouth the Congo river is of enormous depth, but only 100 miles or so above Stanley pool Capt. Braconnier said a year or two ago that steam launches drawing barely two and a half feet of water have to be dragged along by our men." H. H. Johnston mentions the same fact in his description of the Congo. "Our boat is constantly running aground on sandbanks," he wrote. "It has an extraordinary effect to see men walking half way over a great branch of the river, with water only up to their ankles, tracing the course of some hidden sandbank." Stanley, Johnston, and others attributed the remarkable shallowness of the river to its great breadth in this part of its course; but none of them knew how wide the river really is above the Kasai river.

We now have some light on this question, which is a very interesting one, because the Congo is next to the greatest river in the world, and new discoveries with regard to the river are apt to be on a large scale. Capt. Rouvier has been surveying this part of the river, and he finds that for a distance of about fifty miles the river is much wider than was supposed. Its width, in fact, is from fifteen to twenty miles, a circumstance that has not been discovered before on account of many long islands, some of which have always been taken for one shore of the river. It follows, therefore, that there is a vast expanse on the upper Congo similar to and very much larger than Stanley pool. Steamboats have passed each other in this enlargement of the river without knowing of each other's proximity. It is easy to understand, therefore, how it happens that the Congo is in this place so very shallow, while in narrow portions of the lower river no plummet line has ever yet touched bottom. Navigation in this part of the Congo would be almost impossible were it not that here and there soundings are revealing channels deep and wide enough for all the requirements of steamboat traffic.—*New York Sun*.

A Treeless Forest.

Away down in Devonshire, in the southwestern part of England, there is a very interesting tract of land. It is known as Dartmoor forest, and is so named in all old deeds and grants of land; yet, with the exception of a small grove of dwarf oaks, it is almost entirely without trees! This strange contradiction is said to be due to the fact of the greater part of Dartmoor having actually been a forest years ago, but was so infested with fierce wild animals that the people were forced, in self defense, to set fire to the trees, and so, by degrees, the forest was destroyed.

Certain it is that the soil of the moor is composed of rich, black, vegetable matter, and that remains of tree trunks have been found under the ground. Moreover, the people of one district have, for generations, enjoyed the privilege of free pastureage, through a grant awarded their ancestor for services in destroying wolves in Dartmoor forest; for the same reason they are allowed to gather the peat which abounds in the fens or marshy lands, and which makes an excellent fuel. The atmosphere of the moor is nearly always moist and foggy. Indeed, the people who live there say that—

The west wind always brings wet weather. The east wind, wet and cold together; The south wind surely brings us rain, The north wind blows it back again.

—American Agriculturist.

A Senseless but Startling Fact.

Johann Richter, a 17 year old apprentice in Vienna, a few days ago accomplished the senseless but startling feat of climbing 453 feet to the topmost point of the great tower, which is the crowning glory of the grand old cathedral of St. Stephen's in that city. He climbed up at night. An account says: No moon was shining as he stole to the foot of the tower, and watching for his opportunity he strapped a black and yellow flag on his back, and began to clatter up the lightning conductor. Ere he had got half way up his clothes were torn in a dozen places, his boots were split and the blood was streaming from his fingers. But he hung on like grim death, taking advantage of every chance protuberance, and after heroic exertions actually reached the summit. The slightest head swimming or the slightest nervousness and he would have been dashed to pieces. Happily, he never lost his presence of mind, and in the morning when the Viennese looked up at the cross of the old "Steffen," as they affectionately call it, to their amazement tied to it they saw a tiny black and yellow pennon fluttering in the breeze. Richter was arrested by the police, but discharged by the court after a lecture.—*New Orleans Times-Democrat*.

Wanted It for Their Crazy Quilts.

Governor Gray was one of the most astonished persons ever seen for a few moments the other afternoon. Among the sightseers at the new state Capitol building were two nicely dressed ladies who, after meeting the governor and being shown through with a great deal of courtesy, stopped before one of the beautiful lambrequins, which cost something over \$300, and both modestly requested that they be permitted to cut "just a small, little piece," as they were both making "such lovely crazy quilts," and they wanted so much to have some of that lovely material in them. After the ladies had somewhat hastily departed he said in conversation that it was remarkable what some people would ask for. Only recently he was asked to mail some of the ground of the state house yard to a man in Illinois, who stated in his letter that he had a little dirt from the grounds of every state house in the Union except Indiana. He got the dirt.—*Indianapolis Star*.

Royal Statues at Balmoral.

A life size statue of Prince Albert has been the most prominent object in the private grounds of Balmoral castle for many years past. It is now to have a companion in the shape of a similar statue of the queen, which is to be presented to her majesty as a jubilee memorial by the tenants on the Balmoral, Aberdeenshire and Birkhall estates.—*Chicago Times*.

An Editor's First Vacation.

Miss Mary Booth, editor of Harper's Bazaar, has gone to Europe, where she will spend five months in travel. This is her first real vacation since she took charge of the Bazaar, twenty years ago.

A lady of Lewiston, Me., who recently was badly frightened by a street loafer, now carries a package of red pepper in her pocket, and is rather anxious that some ruffian should insult her.

BANKRUPT STOCK!

The Largest ever Offered in Brandon!

The Entire Stock of the Estate of

BOWER, BLACKBURN & PORTER,

Is now offered to the Public, at

STRAIGHT

BANKRUPT

PRICES.

The various Lines consist of

Dry Goods

Groceries,

Boots and Shoes,

Hats and Caps,

Gents' Furnishings,

Ready Made Clothing,

Hardware,

Crockeryware,

Glassware,

Stationery,

Tinware,

Cordage,

&c., &c.

The Public have been surfeited with talk as to the price at which goods can be bought in Brandon. We shall therefore do no "blowing," but beg respectfully to invite all intending purchasers, before spending money elsewhere, to call at the OLD STANP. Cor. 10th St. and Pacific Ave., and satisfy themselves that no other House can compete with us in Brandon or out of Brandon.

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ERIE, Pa., July 5.—The town of Clarendon, in the upper oil country, was almost wiped out by a conflagration last night. Over 100 business houses and dwellings, including Weaver's hotel, Logan's hotel, and the post office, were consumed before one o'clock this morning, and the flames were still spreading. The town has no fire department and the people were compelled to fight the flames with buckets of water. The conflagration started at 2:30 o'clock last night in Weaver's hotel in the middle of the town and in an old mill on the outskirts. It originated from the carelessness of fire works and reached the oil tanks, and the destruction of the town was speedily wrought. John Stewart was caught in a burning oil tank and was cremated. It is feared many have shared a similar fate.

The town has no fire department and the buildings being of pine and hemlock burned like tinder. The greater excitement prevails. The valley is full of fire and seething oil and people, becoming panic-stricken fled to the hillsides for safety. No estimate can be put on the loss, but there is every reason to believe it will reach half a million. There is but little insurance.

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O'BRIEN'S VISIT.

Canadian Gazette.—Mr. William O'Brien is back again. He naturally has much to say to his fellow countrymen in Ireland in regard to his mission in Canada, and he certainly lacks nothing in boldness. "We have had our trouble some moments in Canada, but our noble-hearted race at the other side of the Atlantic has turned Lord Lansdowne's throne in Ottawa into a public pillory, where he stands wriggling to day, and shivering under the scorn and contempt of the people he is supposed to govern. We have gained the substantial sympathy of the whole American people." Everyone will readily grant Mr. O'Brien the hearty assent accorded his fellow countrymen, but it is impossible to let such a statement pass without describing it as an entire misrepresentation; and, indeed, a gross libel upon the Canadian people. It is notorious that Mr. O'Brien failed to secure any material measure of support from the majority of the Canadian people. Excluding only a small section of the community, Canadians from the first that the dispute between Lord Lansdowne and his tenants was a matter of state of their province. Hence they do not in any way to encourage Mr. O'Brien in his misleading mission. As to Lord Lansdowne, he is adopted in almost every leading paper in the Dominion, of every shade of politics, as well as the enthusiastic receptions accorded to his Excellency at Toronto, Ottawa and elsewhere, show clearly enough that, rather than suffering any diminution of esteem, Lord Lansdowne is to day more respected throughout the Dominion than he has ever been.

Exposed by a Lady.

SAINTS, O., July 7.—The Telegram states regarding the Fidelity bank affair. During the past few days rumors have been abroad that the Government building and banking offices, connecting the name of Miss Jessie Holmes, a beautiful exchange girl of the Fidelity bank, and confidential maid of Vice President Harper, with the morally exposed rottenness of that institution, unless the matter will probably reach a climax through a startling confession from Miss Holmes. The morning after the crash mysterious messenger appeared at the vault, and Miss Holmes' box, and thrusting the contents of a value, disappeared. This man was the colored messenger of the bank. The stories are open on that the contents of the box were nothing other than \$200 deposited there by Harper. Miss Holmes, who is a beautiful young woman in an elegant residence at Avondale, is the mother of a seventeen year old son. The interior of her home would in any case be the residence of a man of wealth with a large income, instead of that of a clerk, as reported by Harper.

Judge Lynch.

INDIA, July 7.—Dr. North, a physician of the Walsh, St. Louis and Neway hospital here, was shot probably yesterday by John Christensen, a step-daughter married against his will, and he was engaged. After breaking into a shed and fired two shots, Christensen and others supposed he committed suicide and opened the door of the shed when he was found, inflicting a wound which is not fatal. Christensen was put in the hospital during the afternoon and his condition was intense. At 12:15 this morning two masked men appeared and demanded the keys. The doctor was released and the mob broke down the door, and in fifteen minutes had possession of his possessions. He was run away to the Bridge crossing the river where he was twice struck up, and once life was extinguished, and was witnessed by 1,000 people.

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MUNICIPALITY OF DALY.

Reeve and all the members present.

COMMUNICATIONS

From the municipality of Woodworth grant for bridge at Harper's and Griswold.

From Mr. Gellert re error of taxes.

From Mr. Kirchhofer, M.P.P., re government grant to bridge to Alexander.

Mr. Kennedy re destruction of horses.

Petition for bridge across Assiniboine by John A. Dyer and 47 others.

MOTIONS.

Graham—Creighton—That the communication from council of Woolworth municipality be laid over until next meeting of this council.—Carried.

Matthews—Creighton—That Geo. Wolridge be paid the sum of \$50 on account, and that the remainder be paid on the completion of the work to the satisfaction of the Bridge committee.—Carried.

Matthews—Creighton—That Matthew Kennedy be paid the sum of one hundred and eighty dollars for two horses shot by order of F. Torrance, V.S., suffering from glanders.—Carried.

Chisholm—Walker—That three dollars be allowed to get 5 sleepers for bridge on 10-12-22.—Carried.

Buchanan—Matthews—That in addition to the one thousand feet of lumber already ordered, six hundred feet more be added thereto and six dollars be allowed for bringing the sixteen hundred feet from Brandon to township 12 range 21, there to be used.—Carried.

Walker—Chisholm—That an advance of one hundred dollars be made Harrow school district, and that an order on treasurer be drawn for same.—Carried.

Chisholm—Walker—That Mr. Duncan be allowed his school taxes with interest as he is legally in Daly, school district—amount \$25.33; also that his municipal taxes be accepted without adding ten per cent after sale.—Carried.

Buchanan—Walker—That the reeve and councillor Graham be a committee to wait on the Whitehead council to see what they will be willing to give towards a bridge across the Assiniboine river to Alexander.—Carried.

Walker—Matthews—That as the trustees for the Roseville cemetery have now been regularly appointed, the grant of fifty dollars be now paid over and that an order be drawn on treasurer for same.—Carried.

Chisholm—Matthews—That a by-law be submitted to the ratepayers for the amount of six thousand dollars at six per cent, to be borrowed for thirty years.—Carried.

Accounts passed and ordered paid:

C. Cliffe, adv. tax sale	\$ 45.99
Brandon times	3.50
A. Stewart, tax sale books etc	11.50
W. Keeler, for bridge	13.80
E. J. Barclay, Lumber	100.00
A. Chisholm	3.00
Council adjourned to call of reeve.	

QUEBEC CITADEL.

In Flames—A Fierce Fight to Save the Powder Magazine.

Quebec, July 6th, 23 o'clock.—A serious fire has broken out in the citadel. Several explosions have already taken place. Crowds are flocking to the scene. It is thought the flames cannot be checked.

July 7, one o'clock.—The fire in the citadel broke out in the cavalry school building and is still raging, gradually working its way around. The entrance to the citadel is closed to the public. Firemen and soldiers are heroically fighting the flames. Great efforts are being made to protect the magazine at which a large quantity of powder is always kept, in which should an explosion take place will cause untold damage to the city. The public are now keeping a considerable distance from the fortifications.

2 o'clock.—After two hours hard fighting the magazines in the citadel have been saved. The fire is practically burning itself out, having traversed a distance of about 200 yards burning the roof and all inflammable matter. The cavalry horses, about thirty in number, were burned. No serious accidents have occurred. Several narrow escapes are reported.

FRENCH EDITORS RAILING AT GERMANY'S NEW ARMY REGULATIONS.

London, July 6.—The tension between France and Germany has its amusing features, as well as its serious aspects; and probably nothing more absurd is discoverable in the state of feeling existing on either side, than the avidity with which the French press seize every most trifling opportunity to manufacture a sensation, or give expression to their detestation of the Germans and their hatred of Germany. It would seem that there is no incident, however insignificant, connected with the German army, and particularly with the German army, that does not possess a kind of interest to the ever-watchful French journals. The purchase by the German Government of a few horses; a report that improvements are to be made in the uniform of the empire's soldiers, or a rumor that a private trial of a new weapon has taken place is enough to set agog the solons of the Paris press who find therein as the humorizes them, ground for the assumption that preparations are making for renewed demonstrations against France, or evidence of a servile fear of gallic reprisals in the breasts of the Teutons.

These startling discoveries being made forthwith appear in various journals as editorial or alleged news items of pronounced alarmist character, would be witty squibs and florid articles designed to fire the chauvinist heart, while the sol. disant humorous papers are filled with cartoons intended to hold up Germany in general, and the German army especially, to the ridicule of their readers. The late change in the military dietary, consequent upon experiments made at Berlin, Altona, Potsdam and elsewhere, whereby the German soldier will become more of an ichthyophagist than he had been heretofore, has furnished to the pens and pencils in the Parisian editorial sanctums an entirely new theme. Several journals discuss the fish diet from philosophical and hygienic points of view. The Debats observing that the great chemist, Chevreuil, whose reception on his 70th birthday was one of last year's events, stated on that occasion, in answer to questions as to his mode of life that he had always avoided fish as an article of food, while the Sour triumphantly sets forth the general mental and physical inferiority of fish-eating people. Chauvinism and the Monde Illustré represent the

AMERICAN VISITORS AS THEY APPEAR IN LONDON.

London, July 5.—The number of American residents and visitors at present in London is unprecedented and their large increase is attracting general attention. The time was not very long ago when the presentation of Americans to the Queen and their participation in public receptions, exhibitions, formal ceremonies, etc., were rare events, but now they have become among the most common occurrences, and indeed such occasions would nowadays seem particularly strange and lacking in ordinary features, if Americans were not in some way connected with them. Although Americans were notably prominent in London society for some time past, and particularly so during the jubilee festivities, the numerical strength of their representation was not at any time so apparent as yesterday—the anniversary of American independence; but the attempts of some of them, among many who were paying their first visit to England and realizing their first absence from American soil, to conceal their nationality and pose as Britons were so beautifully apparent as to excite the disgust of Englishmen and the indignation of manly and patriotic citizens of the United States. A careful estimate reveals the fact that there are now in London about 200,000 Americans, including residents, pleasure settlers, business sojourners, politicians in search of relaxation from intrigues and labor, professional people and, last but not least in numbers, toadies to royalty and nobility, and the indications are that this average will be kept up, if not increased, in future. Some of the more shrewd of the professional and business visitors, both male and female have managed to turn to good account their recognition at the hands of royalty as a means of advertising their particular merits or abilities, or of blinding the public to their shortcomings with the glare of princely patronage, but in many instances even this device has failed to convince the British public of the surpassing worth of their representations or the validity of their claims upon popular attention. Probably no American who has visited London for purely business, or for that matter speculative purposes, in many years has been more free from this vice than Buffalo Bill, and certainly no American has received more conspicuous attention from the Royal family than he. His distinctively American individuality has been in marked contrast to the very many examples of obsequious fawning furnished by others in pursuit of sovereigns and pound notes through the endorsement of persons in high places, and has contributed more towards his success here than all the peculiar features of his show combined, and elevated him in the respect of every one who admires manliness, independence and patriotism, and detests the artifices of the adventurer and hanger-on to the skirts of social lions, or persons within the chafed circle of the Queen's household.

NO MORE CORNERS.

New York, July 6.—The grain committee of the produce exchange today adopted an important amendment to the rules. It consists in making No. 1 hard wheat deliverable on all contracts. Heretofore the basis of delivery has been No. 2 red. The change will make it very difficult to corner wheat, as in case there is any scarcity in No. 2 red, deliveries of No. 1 hard can be made instead, and as the crop of the latter amounts to go or too million bushels annually, the task of would-be cornerers will be a doubly arduous one. The average price of No. 1 hard is two to three cents above that of No. 2 red, but those having contracts to deliver can well afford to sacrifice the difference if they thereby avoid being pinched by the corner.

GIVEN UP FOR LOST.

New York, July 6.—The British ship Muskoika, it is feared, has been lost at sea with all on board. She left Sourabaya, Java, December 15, and called at Banjengang on New Year's day. Her destination was Queenstown and she has not reached that port. She is posted as a missing vessel. She was in command of Capt. Collier, and had a crew of 25 men, the majority of whom were natives of this city. The shipping articles containing their names cannot be ascertained. The Muskoika sailed from St. John, N.B., with a heavy cargo. She was valued at \$100,000, only partially insured.

A BIGAMIST SENTENCED.

New York, July 6.—Henry Gibbons was to day sentenced to five years and six months in state prison for bigamy. He married Lydia Soule at Danbury in 1874, left her in 1880, came to this city and married Mrs. Mary Owens, a widow, in 1882. His first wife believing Gibbons dead married Mr. Pittman in Boston, but learning the facts came to this city and informed the second wife who made common cause with her against the gay deceiver, and secured his conviction.

A FIERY SCENE.

London, July 5.—Mr. Mathews, Home Secretary, was questioned in the House of Commons this evening regarding the recent arrest in Regent street of a virtuous girl as a prostitute. His reply was unsatisfactory and the Radicals moved an adjournment of the House. A fiery debate ensued. Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Churchill and several others denounced the brutality of the police and magistrate, as well as the cynicism of Mathews, who defended both. A division was taken at 10 o'clock resulting in the motion being carried by 153 to 148. The result dismayed the Government while the Opposition cheered uproariously. The House adjourned at 19:10 and great excitement. There was a hurried meeting of ministers and it was rumored that Mathews had resigned. However this may be, his reputation which has long been dwindling is now gone entirely, and the government will not dare to retain him long. Smith is furious and condemns the government for its defeat.

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